



## Virginia Faye Gnagy

September 19, 1920 - November 18, 2013

Virginia Howe Gnagy passed away in Wenatchee, WA on November, 18, 2013. She was born in Jewel County, KS on September 19, 1920 and moved to Warrensburg, MO when she was seven years old. It was there that she graduated from high school and met the young man who later was to become her husband. Shortly after her marriage to Eugene Gnagy in Lindsay, CA, they moved to Arrowwood, Alberta, Canada, where he served as pastor in the Church of the Brethren. Over the years, they served Brethren congregations in Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Missouri and Kansas. In 1965, they moved to Wenatchee with four of their seven children, when Eugene became pastor of the city congregation of the Church of the Brethren. After they moved to Wenatchee, Virginia began to work outside the home. She worked in the apple packing sheds for a few years, before she found her true passion, when she became an employee of the North Central Regional Library. It was a job she loved and she worked there until she retired in March of 1984.

Virginia was known for her friendly demeanor and giving nature. She made friends wherever she was and was genuinely interested in the lives and welfare of others. She was a voracious reader, loved to garden, and was a skilled seamstress. Virginia expressed a generous hospitality and she looked forward to those times when family and friends gathered around her table. She was a wonderful cook and was known for her delicious lemon meringue pie. Virginia and Eugene were active members of the Sunnyslope Church

from 1970 to the present.

She was preceded in death by her daughters, Becki Harrison and Janet Gnagy. She is survived by her husband of 71 years, Eugene; her children, Sandra Sword, Mike Gnagy and Beth Holstrom (Nick) all of Wenatchee, WA; Donna Schupp (Ted) of Wichita, KS; and Martha Rogers (Darrell) of San Diego, CA; 13 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, November 30, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. at the Sunnyslope Church, 3330 School Street. Memorial donations may be made to Central Washington Hospital Hospice or the American Cancer Society. Arrangements are assisted by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.